

DPD-3190

12 May 1959

MEMORANDUM FOR: Acting Chief, DPD

SUBJECT : Security Violation

1. On the evening of 7 May 1959, a classified document was inadvertently left on the radiator located in Room 555. Externating circumstances and inherent factors such as fatigue, hurried actions, crowded room, etc. are listed below. During the seven days preceding this incident this office has been involved in the following, other than normal and/or routine activities:

a) CHALICE operations in two different areas requiring around-the-clock monitoring and briefings.

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c) CORONA effectiveness evaluation for mid-winter period.

d) Revision of the CHALICE estimate document and concept of operations.

e) Study and review of SAC-CHALICE EWP and Ops Order.

f) Review and study of A-11 (GUSTO).

g) Planning for participation in Civil Defense Relocation.

h) Study and comment Project

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2. Upon completion of the recent move, a system of check and double check by personnel within the offices concerned was initiated in order to prevent such incidents. The system failed in this particular incident because one person worked late, was the last to leave and did not have a back-up to double check.

3. In order to prevent reoccurrence, an additional precaution will be taken. This will be a final check of the offices by the Senior Controller on duty after the checks mentioned in paragraph 2 have been completed.

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Colonel, USAF  
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